

BLIND CHILDREN PERISH IN FLAMES AT HANKOW

Wesleyan Mission Burns with
Almost the Whole Na-
tive City.

THREE HUNDRED DEAD

Red Cross Steamer to the
Rescue Driven Back by
Rebels' Firing.

HANKOW, China, Nov. 4.—Al-
most the whole of the native city of
Hankow is ash, and it is feared the
Wesleyan mission, in which there
are fifty blind boys and 150 wounded
who with the staff of the mission
make up 300 persons, has been de-
stroyed.

Doctor Booth, head of the mis-
sion, asked the imperialists to cease
firing for two hours to allow him to
remove his charges, but firing ceased
only half an hour. A Red Cross
steamer attempting to reach the
mission was driven back by fire
from rebel batteries.

The fires were started by imper-
ialists, who threw shells into the
city piercing the walls of buildings
in the foreign concessions. The
mission consisted of a school for
the blind, a woman's hospital and
four other buildings.

SHANGHAI, Nov. 4.—Rear Ad-
miral McDock commanding the
Asiatic fleet, today landed 200
marines and marched them through
the main streets of the settlement.
British bluejackets are guarding
Nanking.

The Shanghai railroad has
caused fears that the rebels may
think that the foreigners are about
to declare for the Manhus. The
bonds of the railroad are held in
England which seems the only ex-
cuse for the presence of troops along
the line.

PARDONS

Are Refused by the Pardon
Board in Two Cases
before It.

CHARLESTON, Nov. 4.—Appli-
cations for pardons have been re-
fused to two applicants during the
last two days. General Abbott,
white, aged 22 at the time of his
commitment to the penitentiary
from Logan county in February,
1909, for a fifteen-year sentence for
rape, committed on one Etta Gore,
was turned down.

Francisco Salti, an Italian, aged
30, sent to the penitentiary in
1909 for burglary committed in Mc-
Dowell county, met the fate that
befell General Abbott, and will have
to serve his time.

AGREEMENT SIGNED.

BERLIN, Nov. 4.—The Franco-
German agreement was signed today
by officials of both countries.

TABLET IS ERECTED TO NATHAN GOFF, SR.

Fitting Remembrance of One
of the Founders of First
Methodist Church.

A beautiful and costly bronze tab-
let has been placed in the First Meth-
odist Episcopal church here to the
memory of Nathan Goff, Sr. It was
made by J. and A. Lamb, of New
York, celebrated in their line. The
tablet is on the auditorium wall left
of the main entrance and faces the
pulpit. The inscription reads as fol-
lows:

"In memory of Nathan Goff, this
tablet is erected by the trustees, offi-
cial board and membership of the
First Methodist Episcopal church,
Clarksburg, W. Va., 1911.

"Nathan Goff was born in Harrison
county, Va., now W. Va., April 2,
1798, and died November 27, 1885. He
was during his life time a prominent
liberal and active member of this
church as well as a prominent and
influential citizen of this state, hav-
ing served as a member of the state
legislature. It was to a large ex-
tent through his liberality that the
former church edifice belonging to
said church or society was erected.

ROBBERS MURDER COPPER KING'S MAN

APPEAL GRANTED

To Lynch and Others in Their
Injunction Case against
Town Officials.

V. S. Lynch associated with sev-
eral persons who have a gas well at
Northview returned Friday evening
from Charleston, where he obtained
an appeal from the state supreme
court in an injunction case involv-
ing the laying of a gas pipe line in
a Northview street. The appeal is
from a decree by the circuit court
here dissolving an injunction re-
cently granted Lynch and others by
Judge Homer Holt, of Grafton, re-
straining Northview town officials
from interfering with or molesting
Lynch and others in any way in lay-
ing the line. The state supreme
court award continues the injunc-
tion.

FOURTH VENIRE

In the McNamara Case Ap-
pears before Trial Judge
Bordwell.

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Nov. 4.—
The fourth venire in the McNamara
murder trial appeared before Judge
Bordwell today. Aside from exami-
nation of veniremen, no session of
court was held.

BANK CASHIER

Is Placed in Jail at His Own
Request after Shortage
is Announced.

ROCHESTER, Ind., Nov. 3.—Af-
ter state bank examiners had closed
the Citizens Bank at Akron, Ind., to-
day and announced that its funds
were short \$35,000, Cashier Howard
Harter entered the county jail here
at his own request, until the inquiry
has proceeded further.

MR. SHERIDAN ILL.

Michael D. Sheridan is quite ill in
his apartment in the Gore building,
numerous friends deeply regret to
hear, and they all hope that he may
soon be in better health.

MRS. WILLIAMS QUALIFIES.

Laura A. Williams has qualified as
administratrix of the estate of the
late John W. Williams, of Salem, with
bond at \$10,000. The appraisers of
the estate are S. Broadwater, Genius
Payne and Jesse F. Randolph.

which because of his contributions
thereto was called Goff Chapel, and
of which the present church is the
immediate successor."

This remembrance of one of the
founders of the church, is, indeed,
quite appropriate and very pleasing
to those to whom Nathan Goff was
near and dear by the ties of blood
and friendship.

There are three other memorials in
the church, the first of which placed
there is a very appealing historical
window showing Nichodemus address-
ing Jesus Christ. The window was
erected by Col. Gordon Battelle, of
Columbus, O., at a cost of \$3,000, in
memory of his father, Gordon Bat-
telle, an educator and Methodist min-
ister, whose activities in this section
of the country during the Civil war
left a deep impress and whose efforts
were prominent in the formation of
West Virginia as a state.

On one of the right walls of the
auditorium is a tablet, "In memoriam
of Susan M. Stanley, 1849-1909, wife
of J. I. S. Stanley," and in a right
balcony is one that reads "In mem-
oriam of Walter Ebert, 1807-182."

When He Prevents Them
from Breaking into Guf-
genheim Home.

NEW YORK, Nov. 4.—Burglars,
frustrated in an attempt to burglar-
ize the home of Isaac Guggenheim,
the millionaire copper king, at Port
Washington early today, shot and
killed Watchman Alfred Crooker.
The robbers then escaped in a boat.

CONFERENCE IS HOLDING TODAY

Situation in the Window Glass
Trade Reviewed by
Glassworkers.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 4.—The
Glassworker has the following to
say about the window glass situa-
tion:

"Despite the fact that the Ameri-
can Window Glass Company last
week announced practically the
lowest prices in the history of the
trade and despite the fact that these
prices, as a rule, were promptly met
by manufacturers operating hand
plants, to an impartial observer it
appears that many carload buyers
are fighting shy in the matter of
loading up with a heavy stock of
glass. Representatives of the
American are quoted as saying that
they have disposed of a large
amount under the latest price
schedule, but there are quite a num-
ber of doubters who maintain a
Missouri-like attitude when the ques-
tion is up for discussion.

"Be that as it may," as chubby
George Monroe, of Aunt Bridget fame
says, the fact remains that the buying
trade as a whole is getting mighty
wary and with good reason, when the
numerous price cuts made during the
last year are taken into consideration.
Buyers do not appear to know "where
they are at," and this state of affairs
also applies to the producing element
which seems to be floundering around
like a rudderless ship in a storm-
tossed sea.

According to official advices from
Cleveland, the workers' wage commit-
tee will meet representatives of the
manufacturers in that city today for
the purpose of considering the situa-
tion and it is very probable that ways
and means will be devised to meet
the new conditions. Several West
Virginia manufacturers have put the
matter up to the workers' officials,
and at the meeting today all phases of
the question will be taken up.

In view of the fact that the meth-
ods which have obtained in hand
plants almost from time immemorial
appear to be inadequate to meet the
changing conditions it would seem
that some effort to make certain
changes in the makeup of shops
should be put forth with the idea in
view of securing a better production,
reducing the shop cost and incidentally
better the financial condition of the
workers.

As it is now the conditions could
not be much worse and many skilled
workmen are becoming disgusted and
are leaving the trade. Something
should be done to get out of the rut,
and done mighty soon if the workers
expect to accomplish anything. The
old methods were good enough for the
old days, but new conditions have
made them practically obsolete.

Here is a suggestion which might
help to solve the situation: Why not
make up the average shop with two
blowers and a gatherer, and elimi-
nate the snapper? With two blowers
on the shop they could take the glass
from the gatherer at the latter's tub
an each blower could handle his
own roller through all the different
processes up to the time it is cracked
off. The plan appears to be feasible,
and there is no question that a better
and larger production per place would
be secured under this arrangement.

In addition to the regular wage,
the stipend heretofore earned by the
snapper could be apportioned to the
members of the shop—say 70 or 75
per cent to the two blowers and 25
or 30 per cent to the gatherer. Thus
each man on the shop would be mat-
terially benefited and at the same
time the manufacturer would be get-

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For Celebrating the Fiftieth
Anniversary of Birth
of the State.

SUMMER AFTER NEXT

Plans Are Formulated to
Have An Elaborate
Celebration.

When the Telegram went to press
this afternoon, the West Virginia
Semi-Centennial Commission meeting
at the Waldo hotel for the purpose of
fixing the time and selecting the place
for a celebration of the fiftieth anni-
versary of the state, to be held in the
year 1962, was in session, ask-
ing questions of representatives of the
Wheeling and Charleston delegations
attending the meeting and juggling for
the celebration.

The members of the commission in
attendance are Henry G. Davis, El-
kins; John W. Mason, Fairmont;
Col. John E. Day, Wheeling; E. A.
Brannon, Weston; Hugh Ike Shott,
Bluefield; Frank P. Moats, Parkers-
burg; B. W. Peterson, Wheeling;
Stuart F. Reed, Charleston; Virgil L.
Highland, Clarksburg; and Governor
Glasscock, who is a member ex-
officio.

Former United States Senator
Henry G. Davis, of Elkins, as acting
chairman of the commission, called
the body to order at 2 o'clock and
Governor Glasscock as temporary
presiding officer. The governor in a
brief talk suggested organization as
the first thing to do and named
Judge John W. Mason as chairman.
Judge Mason, however, returned the
compliment by asking the governor
to preside at the present meeting and
nominated Henry G. Davis as the
permanent chairman of the commis-
sion. This motion was seconded by
Stuart F. Reed, secretary of state,
and carried. Mr. Davis prevailed up-
on Governor Glasscock to act as pre-
siding officer of the present session,
as suggested by Judge Mason, and
the governor acquiesced inasmuch as
demand was unanimous.

Upon motion of Mr. Davis, Col.
John E. Day, father of the semi-cen-
tennial movement, who had been act-
ing as secretary of the commission,
was unanimously chosen permanent
secretary thereof.

Governor Glasscock declared that
arguments of representatives from
the different cities desiring to have
the celebration should first be heard.
It developed that Wheeling and
Charleston were the only contesting
cities, and representatives of the lat-
ter city were allowed twenty minutes
in opening the debate, Wheeling re-
presentatives thirty minutes and the
Charleston men ten minutes in clos-
ing.

The geographical location, political
center, larger population, industrial
development, railroad facilities, his-
torical records, and hotel accommo-
dations of Charleston were ably pre-
sented to the commission in the open-
ing remarks on behalf of Charleston
by F. M. Staunton and Phillip G.
Walker.

Wheeling's railroad facilities, its
ability to take care of large gather-
ings, its large auditorium with a
seating capacity of 4,000 or 5,000 to
be finished within ten months, its
theaters and other places of enter-
tainment, its being the birthplace of
the state, its historical sites, the part
of its citizens in originating and ad-
vocating the celebration, and other
inducing features were presented by
C. C. Schmidt, mayor; C. W. Robb-
inson, president of the state board of
trade; and J. P. P. O'Brien.

Taking the place of Congressman
J. H. Gaines, Fred Paul Grosscup
made the closing remarks in behalf
of Charleston.

Charleston promised to provide
an auditorium seating 6,000 persons,
electric lights that would shine over
West Virginia hills instead of those
of border hills, all the illuminated
arches and fireworks the commission
wanted, and raise a money subscrip-
tion if necessary.

Senator Davis asked both delega-
tions whether their cities would pro-
vide an illuminated Napoleon arch
and a pyrotechnic display for the
celebration, this being the desire of
the commission, and both promised
to meet these requirements. In ad-
dition Mayor Schmidt, of Wheeling,
promised that his city would put up
fifty electric arches for the big affar.
Large delegations from Charle-
ston and Wheeling arrived here Fri-
day evening to work for the selec-

State Semi-Centennial Men Are Now Selecting the Place

REJECTED BY HER LOVER WOMAN TAKES HER LIFE

AFFAIRS OF CHURCH CAUSE OF SUICIDES

Husband, Wife and Sons Are
Believed to Have En-
tered a Pact.

CHICAGO, Nov. 4.—A suicidal
agreement is believed to have wiped
out the family of Henry Letsch.
Letsch and his wife and son were
found dead in their Irving Park
home today, and an examination
showed indications of poisoning.

A note in German indicated that
they had contemplated suicide for
three years because of dissatisfac-
tion with church affairs.

ENDED

Is the State Rally of the
Maccabees Held in
Parkersburg.

PARKERSBURG, Nov. 4.—The
semi-annual state rally of the Macca-
bees of the World which has been in
session in this city for the last two
days, ended with a large public meet-
ing at the Maccabee hall on Market
street last night. The hall was hand-
somerly decorated for the occasion,
ferns, palms, and chrysanthemums,
being used as well as many emblems
of the order. Red, white and black,
the colors of the society, were also in
evidence.

The meeting was on the order of a
social session and the program in-
cluded music, dancing and several
fancy drills by the Parkersburg and
Cairo tents. About 200 people were
present.

A secret session was held yesterday
afternoon at which time about twen-
ty-five ladies were initiated into the
second degree of the order. The rally
has been successful from every stand-
point and it is planned to make it a
permanent part of the work which is
carried on by the order.

MUSIC PLAYED

And Sung by Girl Students
While Firemen Extinguish
Flames.

BOSTON, Nov. 4.—While firemen
were extinguishing a fire in the
kitchen of the Boston Students Club
House today, twenty-two girl stu-
dents assembled in the reception
room and sang and played piano.

KILBANE WILLING.

DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 4.—Johnny
Kilbane, who is matched with Abe
Attell to fight for the featherweight
title, said in Detroit that he is willing
for the fight to be decided in the Ver-
non, Calif., arena January 1 or
thereabouts. Word has been received
here that the \$5,000 offered Attell to
fight in Vernon has been accepted by
the champion.

TO ENTER POLITICS.

CHICAGO, Nov. 4.—A plan to
merge all the young people's church
societies in the United States and
Canada as a force to fight the liquor
traffic, the social evil and dishon-
esty in public life, was effected at a
meeting of the organization known
as America's Young People, now in
session here. The chief means by
which these things are to be at-
tacked is through a campaign to in-
duce young men to enter local polit-
ics.

tion of their cities as the place of
holding the big celebration.

The Charleston delegation com-
prises Virgil L. Lewis, state archi-
vist and historian; Joseph Holt
Gaines, former congressman; Fred
Paul Grosscup, J. F. Youse, F. M.
Staunton, G. N. Harnock, L. E.
Smith, Phillip G. Walker, S. P.
Puffer, William Lohmeyer and E.

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SALE OF COCAINE

By One Negro to Another is
Alleged and Both Are
jailed.

Milton Frederick Wright as prin-
cipal and Oscar Montgomery, as pro-
secuting witness, both negroes, were
committed to jail Saturday morning
by Justice W. P. Camp under a
charge of selling cocaine unlawfully.
Montgomery declares that Wright
sold him a quantity of the drug Fri-
day night.

Suspicious actions of the two men
resulted in their arrest in West Pike
street by Policemen Shinn and
Sperry. They were put in jail and
at Saturday morning's session of
police court Mayor Frank R. Moore
turned the case over to Justice W.
P. Camp, before whom Police Chief
Harry L. Brooks swore out a war-
rant against Wright. The justice
examined the men briefly Saturday
morning but remanded them to jail
to await a further hearing later
on.

OLD BILL MINER

Notorious Train Robber Is
Recaptured in Georgia
Today.

WAYNESBORO, Ga., Nov. 4.—Old
Bill Miner, said to have been a no-
torious train robber, who escaped
from a Georgia convict camp a few
days ago, was recaptured today at
St. Clair. Tom Moore, his companion,
was killed, while resisting arrest.

PASEDENA

Is Preparing to Receive
Aviator Rodgers, Coast
to Coast Aviator.

PASADENA, Nov. 4.—Residents of
Pasadena today arranged to greet
Aviator Rodgers, of Pittsburg, who is
expected to complete his coast to
coast flight here.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been issued
to Charles L. Ashcraft and Mary M.
Carpenter and George H. Clark and
Gertrude Lough.

TURKISH LAWMAKERS DENOUNCE ITALIANS

TRIAL TRIP

Of the Airship, Akron, Made
before Starting Across
the Atlantic.

ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 4.—The
airship, Akron, commanded by Mel-
vin Vaniman, left its hangar today
for a trial flight before a trip across
the Atlantic ocean. It passed down
the shore a mile and turning under
perfect control sailed over the city
and landed at Pleasantville.

HOTEL BURNS

And a Brother of a Congress-
man at Reading, Pa.,
is Suffocated.

READING, Pa., Nov. 4.—The new
Folger hotel here burned today and
Peter Rothermel, brother of Con-
gressman Rothermel, was suffocated.

Drinks Carbolic Acid upon
Receiving An Answer to
Note Sent Him.

DIES IN FEW MINUTES

Brother Says William Bland
Failed to Keep Promise
to Marry Her.

Because the man she loved refused
to marry her, Anna Barker, known
in Clarksburg as Mrs. William Bland,
drank two ounces of carbolic acid
and died within a few minutes. She
wrote about Saturday morning at
the Pablies boarding house over the
Sutter roofing establishment on West
Pike street where she had been em-
ployed as a chambermaid. The sui-
cide was about 18 years old and her
home was at Rosemont.

The suicide followed the sending
of a note by the girl to William
Bland at Welch and Kigalia bow-
ling alley, where he was employed,
and a verbal answer from him say-
ing, "You go back and tell her for me
that there is nothing doing." Charles
Kane, cook at the hotel, told Police
Chief Harry L. Brooks this. Kane
said he carried the note from Anna
to Bland and delivered the verbal
answer to her.

After delivering the message,
Kane went to his room and in a few
minutes he declared Anna came into
his room and said:

"Well, it's all off. I'm going to do
it."

At that instant she began drinking
something from a small bottle. Kane
jumped to her side and snatched the
bottle from her hands, seeing some
of the contents as he did so and
burning one of his hands with the
deadly acid, but it was too late. The
young woman had drunk enough to
kill her.

Anna began rattling for Ethel Stid-
more, another employee of the board-
ing house with whom she had been
quite friendly, and Ethel ran into
the room from the kitchen. Seeing
Anna lying in terrible agony with
acid burns on her mouth and the
bottle in Kane's hand, Ethel said:
"Did you do that, Annie?"

"Yes, I done it," Anna gasped.

A physician was called to the room
but Anna was beyond all medical aid
when he arrived and expired within
a few minutes.

Police Chief Brooks was called to
the boarding house by telephone and
after making an investigation of the
suicide, notified the coroner, Dr. S.
M. Mason, who took charge of the
case and caused the body to be taken
to a morgue.

William Barker, a younger brother
of Anna, who has been working in
Clarksburg, was notified.

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For Their Atrocities Inflicted
on Prisoners of War
at Tripoli.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 4.—Heard
denunciation of alleged atrocities
inflicted on prisoners of war, wound-
ed men, women and children by It-
alians in Tripoli occupied the cham-
ber of deputies today, and it resulted
in the appointment of a committee
to draw up a protest for presentation
to the parliaments of the world.

FRED McCLUNG

Son of John McClung, Dies of Lem-
braneous Group.

Fred McClung, aged two years, son
of Mr. and Mrs. John McClung, of
Northview, died Saturday morning at
11:30 o'clock of membranous group
after a few days' illness. Master
Fred became ill with a common cold
several days ago and not thinking it
was serious his mother gave him some
cough medicine but later it developed
into croup and the little fellow died
in a short time.